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SPEECH OF GENERAL BLACK, AT PEORIA, ILL.

Friday evening, General Charles Black, Liberal candidate for Lieutenant Governor, addressed a great meeting of the citizens of Peoria, in Rouse's Hall. After he had been introduced by the presiding officer, the Hon. W. W. O'Brien, he spoke as follows:

MR. CHAIRMAN: I thank you for the kind and flattering words with which you have introduced me to this audience of my fellow-citizens; and as for you, ladies and gentlemen, I will apologize, this evening, to present for your consideration what I conceive to be the issues involved in the impending canvass.

DEAD ISSUES.

And, in order that we may determine this question satisfactorily, it is proper and necessary for us to pass for a moment in review those issues which have been settled in other years, and which, although in the past they furnished matters of decision and party contest, are to-day obsolete, and do not demand at your hands, or at your heads, further action or thought. It is true that they serve occasionally as the rallying cries for those whose prejudices forget nothing. It is true that when party lines are to be drawn men appeal frequently rather to the ghosts of dead issues than to the stern and irresistible facts upon which their fellow-citizens are called to act in the present, in the hope that, by successfully appealing to the passions which time should have soothed, they may succeed in reviving past animosities and hatreds.

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE.

Among the issues which have been settled, as I consider, by the war, and the necessary consequents of it, and the actions of the people since that time, are the questions of secession and nullification, the payment of any debt incurred in aid of rebellion, and more, and greater than all, the question of manhood suffrage. Secession and nullification have been laid in their graves by the strong hands of war. Battalions and regiments have trampled above those graves. A million bayonets bristle have rammed them down before the sod, and sown them with shot and shell, they sleep a sleep from which there is no waking. There is no resurrecting power which can call them again before you for review or for consideration; and, above all, the voice of the American people, greater in peace than in war, has declared that secession and nullification are among the things that cannot be accomplished by any State, or by the people of any State, within the bounds of the Federal Union. Above all, the Constitution, as it has been written in their Constitution, is unalterable character, that the Rebel debt shall never be paid, and that no part of it shall ever be paid by the people of the United States; in

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

MONETARY.

SATURDAY EVENING, Aug. 31.

The money market of the week closes very quietly; though it has ruled moderately active as compared with the corresponding week of last year. But the clearings of the week were some $2,000,000 less than for the week preceding—a result in large part owing to the collapse of the wheat corner—which was followed by a dull selling, and a comparative sluggishness in the movement of produce.

Applications at the banks for loans were not numerous to-day—they seldom are on Saturday. A few were inquiring about money to meet deliveries of grain on Monday, but most of these deliveries had been already arranged for, and the indications are that not much grain will permanently change hands, though there may be plenty of changing round. Mercantile paper was in moderate supply. The banks report the market as rather close, at unchanged rates. At 10 per cent on time loans, and 7@8 per cent on call.

Eastern exchange was very quiet, scarcely a sale being reported, but the market was firmer, with one or two buyers at 40c per $1 000 discount, between banks, and few offerings. Counter rates were quoted unchanged, at par selling, and buying at $1.00 per $1 000 discount.

LOCAL BOND AND STOCK MARKET.

Messrs. Lunt, Preston & Kean quote as follows, this afternoon:

	Buying.	Selling.
United States 6s of '81	114	114½
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" 5s of '65	114	114½
" 5s of '67	114½	115
" 5s of '68	114½	115
" 10s of January and July	113	113½
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" 10s of January and July	113½	113½
United States in new bonds	111½	111½
United States Currency 6s	118	119
Northern Pacific Gold 7 30	97	97½
Chicago City 7s	101	102
Cook County 7s	100	101
Chicago Water Loan		95
Eastern Exchange	1-40 par.	1-10 prem.
Gold and Gold Coupons	112	113
Gold Exchange	112	113
Money on Government's and Gold	1 per cent.	
Silver	103	104
Land Warrants		197
1851 scrip	197	198
1st act war 1812	134	140
2d act war 1812	92	95
3d act war 1812	92	95
Agricultural College Land Scrip	119	120

Revenue stamps, 1 to 4 per cent discount.
Gold coin is in such demand that the rule could be changed in the wording so as to make it's meaning more clear, and this ought to be done.

Irrespective of the point made by some operators, that the proposed rule will greatly increase the amount of money necessary to run a corner, but not test the question, it is a matter for grave consideration whether the Board should or should not set its face in unmistakable terms against corners and all the mischief that follows in their train. Would it not be right for the Board of Trade to enact the penalty of expulsion against any person, or men, who shall be found guilty of running an artificial corner in produce in the future? The only difficulty in the way of doing this would be that in attaching the determination of the point where legitimate buying ends and the cornering process begins. It is also questionable if any set of men have the right to punish another for buying as much grain as he can find others willing to sell, if he can show that he is prepared to pay for it on delivery.

It is much to be desired that the Board will spare a little time to consider this difficult subject before adopting any rule. Usually the business before the Board is rushed through for two reasons: there is but little time to spare from the office, and generally some member is found anxious to take advantage of this fact to get through away enough at the time of the Board to make the meeting disgusted at the idea of attempting to deliberate. The Board of Trade is the most unfortunate body in this respect ever attempted to discuss a subject in Chicago. We do not remember a single instance in several years past where a called meeting of the Board has succeeded in getting calmly discuss the *real merits* of a question at issue.

It is quite probable that at the meeting on Monday, the motion will be made to expel one or more members, the only question being about the right to do it. The argument was advanced to-day that in the event that case should give to any body of men the right to expel a member when they do not wish to pay or to associate with him, on returning his initiation fee, and the payment of the annual dues that have been paid for the unexpired part of the year; in other words, that they have the right to expel any one that they have to take in. The point is a knotty one, and may require a legal decision: one member is understood to take the position that he will decide [illegible] from transacting any business if the Board will not do business with him.

The collapse of the corner has produced one result hitherto not attained—tacit agreement among commission men here that they cannot afford to guarantee sales to their principals in the country, except at a fair margin of profit. This is a decided improvement over the style of doing business which has prevailed for years past. The chief abuse has arisen from the practice of selling on time, and allowing the purchaser to call for the grain at his convenience. The shipper knew that the purchaser was under obligation to take the grain within a specified time, and if from any cause, real or fancied, the purchaser failed to call for the grain within the time specified, the shipper was entitled to a penalty for the delay. Under the old system, when the purchaser failed to call for the grain, the shipper was compelled to pay a fair price for storage, and the purchaser was compelled to pay a fair price for the grain. Under the new system, when the purchaser fails to call for the grain within the time specified, the shipper is entitled to a penalty for the delay, and the purchaser is entitled to nothing for the storage. The result is that the shipper is compelled to pay a fair price for storage, and the purchaser is compelled to pay a fair price for the grain. Under the old system, when the purchaser failed to call for the grain within the time specified, the shipper was entitled to a penalty for the delay, and the purchaser was entitled to nothing for the storage. The result is that the shipper is compelled to pay a fair price for storage, and the purchaser is compelled to pay a fair price for the grain.

The New York *Daily Bulletin* says:

Now, as to the question of gold speculation, and how far it affects the currency question. Assuming that the word "now" means the day or week, it follows that there is no speculation between gold sales and the "spot" value. Gold sales are made at the "spot" price, and the "spot" price is the price of gold for immediate delivery. Gold speculation is confined entirely to the "premium" on gold for future delivery. Gold speculation, therefore, has no influence on the "spot" price, and the "spot" price is the price which affects the currency. Gold speculation, therefore, has no influence on the currency. Gold speculation affects only the premium on gold for future delivery

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Governor Koerner.

The Hon. G. Koerner will address the people as follows:

Sept. 6, at DuQuoin.
Sept. 6, at Centralia.
Sept. 7, at Carlyle.

General J. C. Black.

General John Charles Black will speak as follows:

Paris, Sept. 5.
Lincoln, Sept. 9.
Clinton, Sept. 4.
Charleston, Sept. 6.
Mendota, Sept. 10.
Cambridge, Sept. 11.
Rock Island, Sept. 13.
Virginia, Sept. 14.
Champaign, Sept. 14.
Jacksonville, Sept. 14.
Paxton, Sept. 16.
Clayton, Sept. 18.

Governor B. Gratz Brown.

Governor B. Gratz Brown will speak as follows:

Springfield, Sept. 5.

Governor Bross.

The Hon. Wm. Bross will speak as follows:

Vienna, Johnson County, Sept. 2.
Metropolis, Massac County, Sept. 3.
Golconda, Pope County, Sept. 5.
Shawneetown, Gallatin County, Sept. 9.
Harrisburg, Saline County, Sept. 10.
McLeansboro, Hamilton County, Sept. 11.
Fairfield, Wayne County, Sept. 12.
Albion, Edwards County, Sept. 13.
Mt. Carmel, Wabash County, Sept. 16.
Lawrenceville, Lawrence County, Sept. 18.
Shelbyville, Shelby County, Sept. 20.
Salem, Marion County, Sept. 21.
Mt. Vernon, Jefferson County, Sept 23.
Benton, Franklin County, Sept. 24.
Equality, Gallatin County, Sept. 25.

The Hon. J. C. Allen.

The Hon. J. C. Allen will speak at the following places and dates:

Sullivan, Moultrie County, Sept. 16.
Danville, Vermillion County, Sept. 12.
Charleston, Coles County, Sept. 13.
Olney, Richland County, Sept. 27.
Watseka, Iroquois County, Sept. 24.
Grand Crossing, Cook County, Sept. 26.
Carthage, Hancock County, Sept. 27.
Macomb, McDonough County, Sept. 28.
Rushville, Schuyler County, Sept. 30.
Reardston, Cass County, Oct. 1.
Pittsfield, Pike County, Oct. 2.
Carrollton, Greene County, Oct. 3.
Jerseyville, Jersey County, Oct. 4.
Alton, Madison County, Oct. 7.
Greenup, Cumberland County, Oct. 9.
Vandalia, Fayette County, Oct. 11.

The Hon. B. G. Caulfield.

The Hon. B. G. Caulfield will speak as follows:

Vandalia, Monday, Sept. 2, night.
Lecompton, Tuesday, Sept. 3, night.
Champaign City, Wednesday, Sept. 4, night.
Urbana, Thursday, Sept. 5, night.

The Hon. Cassius M. Clay.

The Hon. Cassius M. Clay will address the people at the following times and places:

Mattoon, Sept. 7, 1 o'clock.
Champaign, Sept. 7, 8 o'clock, p. m.
Clinton, Sept. 10, at 2 o'clock.
Wenona, Sept. 17, at 2 o'clock.
Sterling, Sept. 18, at 2 o'clock.
Rockford, Sept. 19, at 1 o'clock.

The Hon. John Mitchell.

The Hon. John Mitchell will speak as follows:

Bloomington, Sept. 7, Court House.
Pontiac, Sept. 10.
Kankakee, Sept. 11.
Joliet, Sept. 12.
Lockport, Sept. 13.
Naperville, Sept. 14.
Wheaton, Sept. 16.
Elgin, Sept. 17.
Belvidere, Sept. 18.
Rockford, Sept. 19, at 1 o'clock.

Congressional Meetings.

The following meetings have been appointed:

Ottawa, Sept. 9, General Black and Senator Trumbull.
Aurora, Sept. 10, Governor Palmer and the Hon. J. V. Eustace.
Cambridge, Sept. 11, Senator Trumbull, Gen. Black and the Hon. J. V. Eustace.
Pontiac, Sept. 12, Governor Palmer and the Hon. J. C. Robinson.
Kankakee, Sept. 13, Senator Trumbull, the Hon. C. Conover, and the Hon. Edward Rummel.
Champaign, Sept. 14, Governor Palmer and the Hon. J. C. Allen.
Prospect, Sept. 17, Senator Trumbull and the Hon. J. C. Robinson.
Effingham, Sept. 18, Governor Palmer and the Hon. J. C. Allen.
Charleston, Sept. 19, Governor Palmer and the Hon. J. C. Robinson.
Edwardsville, Sept. 21, Senator Trumbull and the Hon. J. C. Robinson.
Olney, Sept. 21, Governor Palmer and the Hon. J. C. Allen.
Quincy, Sept. 24, Senator Trumbull, the Hon. J. C. Robinson, and the Hon. C. Koerner.
Carbondale, Sept. 25, Governor Palmer and the Hon. J. C. Robinson.
Bluff, between Fort and La Salle, Sept. 27, Governor Palmer, the Hon. J. V. Eustace, and the Hon. G. Koerner.

Article XIV. of the Constitution says:

The validity of the public debt of the United States, authorized by law, including debts incurred for the payment of pensions and bounties for services in suppressing insurrection or rebellion, shall not be questioned. But neither the United States, nor any State, shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or any claim for the loss or emancipation of any slave; but all such debts, obligations, and claims shall be held illegal and void.

Senator Harlan, whose successor in the Senate has been elected, expects to become a member of General Grant's Cabinet after March 4, 1873. In the meantime he has become editor of the Washington *Chronicle*, and has given, through his paper, the opinion that this amendment does prohibit Congress making an appropriation to pay for slaves when the claimants, *State*; and that, if the Southern States all demand compensation, there is nothing in the Fourteenth Amendment to prevent their being paid.

If this is Mr. Harlan's opinion, it would be well to keep him out of the Cabinet, for his reputation as an active opponent of claims against the Government is not first-class.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITATIONS OF POWER.

We do not believe that any considerable portion of the American people prefer that any National Administration should be above the law, and amenable to no legal restraints. There is, however, great danger that unconsciously the people may permit the Government to drift into the irresponsible disregard of the constitutional limitations of power. Senator Schurz is rendering the country an important service in pointing out this danger.

The war began eleven years ago, and, within this time, one-third or more of the voters of the country have reached the age of 21 years. That period has been one of civil war. These young men have been educated in political affairs during a time when the bayonet had superseded judicial process, when the Constitution had almost ceased to be mentioned, and when the only restraint upon the exercise of power by the President was his own volition. The Constitution of the United States is essentially a code of peace. Recognized by the Constitution, and existing independent of it, is the great law of preservation, under which, to save the Government and the Union, arbitrary and extraordinary powers may be adopted. A generation of voters have grown up to whom the written Constitution is scarcely known. They have heard of it, and have read it, as they have the charter exacted by the English Barons from King John. That Constitution provides that no man shall be arrested without warrant charging him with crime; that his house shall be free from search, except upon warrant describing the place to be searched; that the right of the citizen to a fair and speedy trial, to a full statement of the offences with which he is charged, to counsel, and the attendance of witnesses, shall never be denied. The men who have become voters since 1860 have seen the Government administered as if these clauses of the Constitution were nugatory. They have read that no money shall be drawn from the Treasury unless the same shall have been specifically appropriated by law; and they have seen this clause of the Constitution disregarded by the sworn heads of Departments, and this conduct indorsed and approved by servile majorities in Congress. They have seen, within the last two years, the Secretary of the Navy disregard the law which prohibited the payment of money to a particular claimant, by actually paying him the large sums which Congress had interdicted, using therefor money appropriated by law for other purposes. They have seen the Postmaster General, in like manner, disregard the law by ordering the payment of large sums for which there had been no appropriations, but which had been repeatedly adjudicated as frauds.

They have read in the Constitution that Congress alone shall have power to declare war; and yet they have witnessed the President, by his own order, employing the navy to coerce a foreign nation at peace with the United States. They have read the law which prohibited any person holding a commission in the military service from exercising the functions of any civil office of the Government; yet they have witnessed, in total and brazen defiance of this law, the employment of military officers by the President in the official delivery of communications to the two Houses of Congress. Though there has been no actual war since April, 1865, and no man or body of men in armed hostility to the United States since that time, there has been no change in the exercise of war powers; and, so far as these new voters have been able to form a judgment of the powers of the Government from the exercise thereof, they are taught that the President possesses only so much limited by his own judgment of what he may do, and that his Secretaries are as irresponsible as himself. Though Congress may by law declare that the amount of the public debt shall not be increased, the Secretary of the Treasury does not hesitate to increase it one hundred and thirty millions of dollars, and pay interest thereon for three months, not only without authority of law, but against its prohibitions.

The Republican party, nominally responsible for the faithful observance of the law by the Executive branch of the Government, has had these things brought to its knowledge, and we have seen committees of Senators and Representatives report that these gross and extraordinary violations of the Constitution and laws were justified by the ends sought; thus practically deciding that the President and his Cabinet are subject to no law, but have the right to do whatever they may think proper.

Where is this disregard of written law and Constitution to end? It is more destructive of Republicanism than war itself. It destroys the fundamental principles of a Government founded on law, and paves the way for more dangerous usurpations, which will surely come. While in all other lands the tendency is to substitute written law for royal prerogative here in the United States we have, day by day, relaxed our respect for law, and our Constitution is becoming a dead letter, for which neither President, Cabinet, nor party majority exhibits the slightest respect. As we have said, one-third of our voters have grown up under this dangerous system. The constitutional checks and restraints upon the powers of the Executive have been, to a large extent, swept away. Young men have been educated to believe that the President has power to do whatever he thinks proper; and thus the way is prepared in the popular mind for that open and general disregard of law which has been the destruction of almost every Republic, ancient and modern. We have not yet completed a century of National existence; other Republics have had longer lives than we have yet enjoyed; but in every case the destruction of popular government has begun in the acquiescence by the people in the exercise of unauthorized powers and disregard of the written law by the Executive.

We have reached a point where we shall soon have to decide whether this is a Government of law or one of absolute power; whether we are to be protected and governed by a written Constitution or by Executive proclamations; whether we are to continue a Republic, such as our fathers established, or fall into the chaos and anarchy of Mexico and the South American Republics.

On Saturday last, the Hon. John B. Niles, of Laporte, Ind., one of the foremost lawyers of the State, and formerly Judge and State Senator, made a brief speech, introducing Carl Schurz to the audience which the latter addressed at that place. Judge Niles said that he had always belonged to the party opposed to slavery, injustice, and oppression; that he had contributed the best efforts of his life to the support of Republican principles; that he adhered to those principles still, and was rejoiced to see that they had achieved an undisputed and enduring triumph in this country. He thought that the time had now come to extend a helping hand to the Southern people, and to deliver the whole country from the despotism of partisan rule and the government of rings. He believed that the spectacle now presented to the people, of fifty or sixty thousand office-holders, supported at the public expense, all working as one man, not for the promotion of any principles, but for the retention of office, was calculated to excite grave apprehensions for the freedom of elections. As there had been some doubt expressed by his fellow-townsmen concerning his position in this contest (although he had made no concealment of his intention to support the Liberal ticket), he was glad to embrace the present opportunity to say, to all who might regard it of any importance, that, if his life should be spared till election-day, he should vote for Horace Greeley and the Liberal nominees on the State ticket.

It would, perhaps, be impossible to condense the issues of the present campaign into briefer compass, or to give them more lucid expression, than Judge Niles' ten-minute speech at Laporte.

THE PROPOSED FRAUD AT INDIANAPOLIS.

Governor Morton and his aids are reluctant to yield any of the extra war powers by which they carried their elections eight years ago. They cannot now, as then, march 5,000 Massachusetts soldiers to the polls to vote for Morton as mechanically as they would stack arms. But, in place of these, they have about an equal number of colored voters in the State, on whom they implicitly rely, although, if the influence of Senator Morton, who now handles them, had prevailed, none of these colored men would have had a vote. They owe their power to vote against Greeley, Brown, Sumner, Schurz, and Trumbull to the men against whose advice they are expected to vote. In Indiana, as elsewhere, some of the most intelligent colored voters have repudiated Grant and Morton, and are with us in the contest. But the colored vote as a whole seems likely to supply the loss to Grant of much of the Massachusetts soldiers' vote, and to be under nearly as despotic political drill. Whether the rumored importation of nearly a thousand colored voters into Indianapolis and Marion County is true or not, we do not know, and we will not add to the inflammatory elements of this campaign by putting faith in rumors in advance of proof.

We have positive proof, however, of a preconcerted outrage on the freedom of elections in Indianapolis, which it will require the thoroughly-organized efforts of the respectable people of that city, of both parties, to thwart and defeat. It has been arranged that the entire 8,000 voters of Indianapolis shall vote at four polling-booths, which are four windows of the City Hall,—the square in which the Hall stands being badly cut up by excavations, and half filled with heaps of stone and rubbish. To concentrate so large a voting population at one spot is exceedingly unwise, because it tends toward riot, and the least disturbance at one poll will stop the voting at all. The arrangement will also compel voters to travel in some instances, two miles, and wait nearly all day, to get a chance to vote. But, were there no risk of violence, and no difficulty of reaching the place, it is a physical impossibility to poll 8,000 votes at four places between sunrise and sunset. The time is ten hours, and a brief calculation will show that to poll these votes in this time requires that at each place *three and a half votes a minute* must be polled from sunrise to sunset, making no allowance for the time of the officers consumed in taking their meals, or for delays caused by challenges, or for delay of voters to reach the polls at the earliest possible hour. But the chief source of delay is that caused by challenges; and it may be set down in advance as a universal fact, that any politician or party who deliberately plans for fewer polling-places than the number of voters requires, intends to perpetrate fraud.

Comparing the rate of voting required this year at Indianapolis with the average rate in Chicago, we find that we here give a polling-booth to about every 300 voters, whereby about two minutes is given to each voter. Our Fifteenth Ward furnished six polling-booths to 2,000 voters, and the others in like proportion. We find this time none too much for challenges and the other work of voting. But it is seven times more than is given in Indianapolis. Voting as we vote, leisurely and honestly, Indianapolis would cast but one-seventh of her vote by sundown. Voting as rapidly as she may, and without any challenges whatever, we doubt if her people could all vote in the time allotted. The game is to have the negroes stand in their places over night and hold the ground for their partisans in the morning. This precedence, however, is open to competition. The Liberals and Democrats can vote by assembling at sundown or at noon of the day before. Dangerous as such a competition is to the peace of the city, we do not see that there is any other way for the Liberals of Indianapolis to avoid being disfranchised by Senator Morton than to appear early and stand their ground, if they have to give two days instead of one to it.

Meanwhile, this whole affair painfully proves how little of the spirit of impartial suffrage, as well as of universal amnesty there is in Morton's policy. Of course, if General Grant were asked whether he aimed to be elected by such frauds, he would answer as he did General Farnsworth concerning his message, "I don't exactly know what that means. MORTON PUT THAT IN."

THE NEW PUMPING-WORKS.

The Common Council, on Thursday, ordered to an engrossment the ordinance providing for the purchase of a site for the West Side pumping-works. The site proposed to be purchased is that known as the lot of S. J. Walker, at the junction of the South Branch with Ashland avenue. This is an old question. As long ago as 1869, the Common Council decided to extend the water-tunnel to some point in the West Division, and to erect additional pumping-works. The Legislature authorized the issue of bonds for that purpose. The bonds were sold in July, 1870, and the money has been in the Treasury ever since. But the Common Council have never been able to agree upon a site for the new pumping-works. The Board of Public Works made a selection, which the Council approved and the Mayor vetoed. The Council then recommended another lot, which the Board of Public Works disapproved. Finally, the Board of Public Works, under protest, recommended the Walker lot, and that recommendation has been before the Council since the spring of 1871.

The fire has made many changes in the distribution of population, and in the value of property, and these changes have a direct bearing upon this question. Population has extended greatly to the southwest. When this question was first agitated, Walker's lot was very remote; but the settlements now extend beyond it. It is possible that the present value is nearer the price asked for it than its value a year ago was. We still think the situation inferior to several of the other lots offered; nevertheless, if there was an occasion for an increased water-supply as long ago as 1870, that necessity must be much greater at this time, when our population has increased 30 per cent. The unanimity in the Council in favor of the Walker lot precludes, perhaps, all hope of the selection of any other site. Mr. Bateham, in saying that, while he was opposed to the location of the pumping-works on that lot, he would vote for it, because of the necessity of doing something, expressed, probably, the general opinion of the community on the subject. The area occupied by residences, and which has no water-supply, has been greatly enlarged during the last year. The inadequacy of the present works to supply that portion of the city furnished with service-pipes is notorious. The city, therefore, should begin, without serious delay, this work, which will take two years to complete it. By that time our population will not be much, if any, less than 300,000, and the necessity will exist not only for this second pump, but for a third one. There is, therefore, no propriety in delaying the work any longer, because of the quarrel over the site. As the present Council seems to be more unanimous for the Walker lot than the old Council, the choice is that lot or none. Making the best of what has been considered a swindle in the price, something ought to be done to secure an additional supply of water for the city.

THE LOSS OF THE METIS.

The wreck of the steamer Metis, on Long Island Sound, involving a loss of at least forty lives, and perhaps more, within full view of the town of Stonington, was not only one of the most dreadful, but one of the most inexcusable and criminal, marine casualties which have occurred for many years. Accustomed as the public has become to carelessness, recklessness, and indifference, in the management of steamboats and the care of human life, the details of this fearful disaster will shock even the most callous reader. The steamer Metis, of the Neptune Steamship Line, while on her trip from New York to Providence, having on board 169 persons and a full cargo of merchandise, collided with the schooner Nettie Cushing, bound from Thomaston, Maine, to New York. The collision took place during a heavy gale, about 4 o'clock in the morning of Friday last. The shock to the steamer was so violent that all her passengers rushed from their state-rooms and made such hasty preparations as they could, in the dire confusion and distress which prevailed, to save themselves. The officers of the boat, to whom passengers instinctively look for guidance and assistance at such a dreadful time, were indifferent beyond comprehension to the danger which threatened all on board. For fifteen minutes the Metis cruised about in a circle, looking for the schooner which had struck them, without stopping for an instant to ascertain whether the Metis had sustained any damage. About the time of the collision, the steamer Stonington passed the Metis and offered assistance, but the Captain, assuming that there was no danger, declined it. The Metis then resumed her course as if nothing had happened, but the alarm of the passengers continued. The Purser informed them that no damage was done, for it was of no use "for these small craft to run into us any way, for they can't hurt us." Finally, and probably to satisfy the passengers, the Captain notified the Engineer to examine the injury, which he failed to do. The result was, that, when all had recovered hope and imagined themselves safe, the fires were suddenly extinguished, and the steamer was left hopelessly tossing about in the furious gale, and shipping water at a tremendous rate through the rent in her side, until finally the hull went down, the upper deck floating off, and serving as an insecure raft for those who had not gone down with the boat. The pilot, on ascertaining that the boat was sinking, abandoned his post and sought only his own safety and that of a friend, with cork mattresses which were stored away in his room. The deck-hands testify that the leak might have been temporarily stopped with sail-cloth, if the carpenter had been set to work before the water made such headway. The boat went down immediately after the fires were extinguished, according to the statement of the firemen, but the fires were not extinguished until half an hour after the collision, during which time the Metis had been sailing in her regular course. Had the Captain gone below, as it was his duty to do, immediately after the collision, repaired the break as well as he could, and then headed his boat for shore, there is no doubt that, in the half-hour's time, the boat might have been run ashore and every soul saved. But not a single person in the crew gave any thought to the boat, the half-hour between life and death was wasted, and the boat was lost within sight of the shore.

Whatever the Captain of the Metis may have done toward the salvation of life, after the destruction of the boat was inevitable, counts but little in comparison with what he should have done before it. He should have saved every life, for it was clearly within his power to do so, and he is therefore responsible for those lives he allowed to be lost through his recklessness. His first impulse at the moment of collision should have been to examine his vessel, and see if any injury had been sustained. If he had done so, his vessel undoubtedly would have been saved, with every soul on board, for not only was the steamer Stonington alongside, ready to take off the passengers, but he had a full half-hour before the fires were extinguished in which he could have run ashore. In place of this, he refused every hint of help, ignored not only all danger, but all possibility of danger, and not until the fires were extinguished, the engines were stopped, and the steamer lay tossing helplessly in the heavy sea, with the water pouring into her, did he bestir himself to save the passengers in his keeping. It was then too late for the efforts of any single person to be of avail to the multitude. Each one must shift for himself, and the result was, that the weaker—the women and children—were sacrificed to the incomprehensible foolhardiness and recklessness of a Captain who was either too willfully or ignorantly blind to recognize danger when it stared him directly in the face. If human life were not held so cheaply and of such trifling consequence; if these terrible disasters were not forgotten so soon, and were something more than the sensations of a day or an hour,—it would be of some importance to demand that this Captain of the Metis should be held responsible for the men, women, and children who were drowned on that terrible night, and who might have been living to-day but for him. It is almost too much to expect that such conduct will even disqualify him from immediately resuming his place in the service of the company to which he is attached. The facts, however, should be a warning to the travelling public to avoid any boat of which he is commander hereafter.

The contents of Jo. Ledlie's pocket-book, picked up in the streets of Springfield the other day, furnish some of the most amusing campaign literature of the present day. "Some fifty lbnes to Charles H. Ham, and fifty to Charley Farrell," writes an obscure agent of the Blanton Duncan party to the venerable Ledlie. "Send my card to the Postmaster at Freeport; he can help you," writes another. "Hon. C. B. Farwell can send fifty delegates if desired, and from the best ward-workers here," says the enthusiastic Daniels. And then the solemn adjuration with which the correspondence closes: "If the Louisville Convention is not a success, its friends should vote for Grant," discloses the whole motive and *animus* of the B. Duncan movement. In order to accomplish their real purpose, they ought to nominate Grant.

The State election in Vermont takes place to-morrow, and in Maine one week from to-day. The latest information received from those States places the Liberal Republican strength in the former State at about 5,000, and in the latter at 6,000, and would warrant the expectation of reducing the Republican majority in the former State to about 17,000 (in place of 27,000 at the September election four years ago), and in the latter to 8,000 (in place of 20,000 four years ago).

The Canvass in Southern Illinois.

The reports of the campaign prospects in Southern Illinois are of the most encouraging character, and indicate that that section of the State will roll up a majority for Greeley and Koerner, in November, as abundant as its harvests. On the 22d ult., an immense Liberal meeting was held at Marphysboro, Jackson County. The large Court House was crowded, and hundreds had to remain outside. Governor Koerner, who came down in a special train filled with Carbondale Liberals, made a very effective two hours' speech, which was received with the utmost enthusiasm, especially those portions in which he reviewed Logan's Cairo speech. The result of Koerner's speech will be, that the home of Logan will give him a rebuke on election-day he will never forget. On the 24th ult., Governor Koerner also addressed an immense audience at Highland, Madison County, composed mainly of Swiss and Germans, with telling effect. Colonel J. L. D. Morrison, who has thrown himself into the campaign with irresistible energy, also spoke on the same evening,—the two speakers leaving but few unconverted Grantites when they had concluded. This Congressional District, the Seventeenth, promises to give 2,500 majority in November. From all parts of Southern Illinois come the same encouraging reports, showing that the people are wide awake and thoroughly in earnest. The people there are working people, and, when the harvest is over, they will not only get ready to vote for Greeley and Koerner, but to work for them, all along the line from Cairo to Springfield. Governor Koerner, Colonel J. L. D. Morrison, Hon. William R. Morrison, Judge Caton, Hon. J. C. Allen, Hon. J. C. Robinson, Governor Palmer, and General Black all have appointments in that section, and the most of these are already on the ground and hard at work. If the Liberal Republicans and Democrats of Northern Illinois go into the campaign with half the energy and determination of their Southern brethren, Illinois will give a rousing majority against the Grant ticket in November. The farmers of Southern Illinois are up and doing and mean business, and in November will send in the fullest corn and the tallest majorities Egypt has ever yet produced.

Mr. George William Curtis tries to explain away his statement that the people pay $127,000,000 a year more than the Government gets. He quotes the famous clause in the report of the Civil Service Commission, as follows:

It is not easy to compute in figures the exact economical difference between a good and a bad system of the Civil Service. It is necessarily a matter of inference, in which the data are only the probable operation of a careless and a careful method. But it is calculated by those who have made a careful study of the facts that *one-fourth of the dues to the United States are constantly lost in the collection*, and for a large part of that loss a system of service which is fatally unsound is reasonably held responsible.

Then Mr. Curtis says:

It will be observed that the Commission do not say that *a fourth of the revenue is lost*.

Such a power of observation is not given to mortal man. We have quoted those two sentences word for word, and we ask any honest man to compare the assertion of Mr. Curtis as defender of Grant, and the report of Mr. Curtis as exposer of abuses in the Civil Service. We pass to the next sentence:

What they do say is, that, of a loss which careful students compute to be one-fourth, a large part may be justly attributed to an evil system of the Civil Service.

Here, then, Mr. Curtis admits the loss, and admits that "careful students" compute it to be one-fourth of the revenues. This is precisely the fact which he started out to deny. After this failure, Mr. C. tries to show that this state of things existed under the sinful Johnson, not under the sinless Grant. In reply to Mr. Curtis, we quote Mr. Curtis' words, submitted Dec. 18, 1871, or one year and nine months after Grant was inaugurated:

One-fourth of the revenue of the United States is annually lost in the collection.

Then the indefatigable exposer pleads that this one-fourth is not collected and then "lost," but that it is never collected. This would be culpable inefficiency; but how can money which was never collected be "lost in the collection"? The fact is, that Mr. Curtis, in December, 1871, was bent on stating the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth; while, in September, 1872, he is bent on stating only that part of the truth which tells in behalf of his candidate for the Presidency.

The Bloomingdale Asylum scare in New York has recalled public attention to the queer case of Mrs. E. P. W. Packard, of this city. In 1860, her husband, a Presbyterian clergyman of Manteno, Ill., put her into the Jacksonville Asylum, on the suggestion of insanity, the avowed ground being that she did not believe in the doctrine of total depravity, and was injuring the cause of Christ by this disbelief. How she could doubt the total depravity of at least one man, it is difficult to see. After three years of brutal treatment, she was released, and the question of her sanity was determined by law in her favor. Her husband fled from the State. At that time the statutes of Illinois allowed a husband or father to commit wife or child to an asylum without evidence. Since her release Mrs. Packard has devoted herself to securing the passage of laws designed to prevent the outrages so common in our "retreats." The insane law of Iowa, probably the best in the world, was drafted and passed by her personal exertions.

Robeson has learned wisdom from Creswell. When Governor Blair exposed the latter's complicity with Chorpenning, our Postmaster General left his bribers over "straw-bids," and secret contracts and postal-card jobs, and hotfoot to Michigan, where he spoke his piece in a mighty endeavor to show that A. J. Creswell was a man without guile. Thereupon, Governor Blair showed conclusively that the reply was an empty farce, and Creswell subsided. Robeson is making many harangues in Maine out, with great self-denial, he mentions neither the Rosch case, nor the "Governor" case, nor the Pennock case, nor even the Secor case. The Tichborne claimant, who resembles our Secretary in being fat and commonplace, tries to defend himself from charges of fraud wherever he goes. The same line of argument would make the "bold sea-dog's" speeches more interesting.

There is ground for apprehensions of a hitch in the proceedings of the Geneva Tribunal of Arbitration. For some time past, the telegraph has informed us that everything was progressing satisfactorily. As the proceedings were strictly secret, the telegraphic news-gatherers have evidently based their information upon the fact that the Arbitrators were cheerily dining and wining together, two or three times a week. But there has been no dining and wining now for over a week, and simultaneously we learn that there is a difference of opinion on some matters of principle. The public will rejoice to learn that chicken-a la Alabama and goose-a la Bancroft Davis are once more on the arbitration menu, and that they are marking down their differences in Rudestamer and Santerna. This sudden abstinence from feasting bodes no good.

They know a thing or two in Arkansas about building railroads. This is the way they do it: The President of a railway company gets on good terms with the "State House Ring," and lobbies through the Legislature a grant of $15,000 a mile, with the proviso that the bonds are to be issued at the completion of each ten miles of track. The President borrows enough iron to lay ten miles, puts it down, draws his $15,000; takes up the iron, relays it on the next ten miles, draws the second $15,000; and repeats this process until the whole 120 miles are built. Then the borrowed iron is returned, the road is left in precisely the condition it was at first, and the President decamps to New York and sells his bonds.

The Chicago *Journal* grasped too readily at a straw when it published this paragraph:

The persistent slanders of the Greeleyites have induced Hon. Henry Wilson to publish a letter to the Germans of Brooklyn, N. Y., in which he plainly and pointedly denies having ever belonged to the Know-Nothing party. He also asserts that he was always opposed to that party.

Now that Mr. Wilson has declared that this letter was a forgery, we shall witness a fine example of organic honesty in the *Journal's* suppression of all editorial mention of the fact.

POLITICAL.

Calendar for the week:

ELECTION.

Sept. 3.—Vermont, Governor and Legislature.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

Sept. 3.—Blanton Duncan's, Louisville.

STATE CONVENTIONS.

Sept. 4.—New York, Liberal, Syracuse.
—Tennessee, Republican, Nashville.
—Missouri, Republican, St. Louis.
—Minnesota, Liberal, St. Paul.
—Nebraska, Republican, Lincoln.
—Kansas, Republican, for Governor, etc., at Topeka, and for three Congressmen at Lawrence.

Sept. 5.—Nebraska, Temperance, Lincoln.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Sept. 3.—Sixth Illinois, Liberal, Princeton.
—Second Wisconsin, Republican, Madison.
—Third Minnesota, Liberal, St. Paul.
—Fifth Michigan, Liberal, Grand Rapids.
—Sixth Michigan, Liberal, Holley.
—Ninth Michigan, Liberal, Manistee.

Sept. 4.—Third Wisconsin, Republican, Dodgeville.
—Fourth Wisconsin, Liberal, Milwaukee.
—Second Iowa, Liberal, Clinton.
—Third Iowa, Liberal, Dubuque.
—Fourth Iowa, Liberal, Mason City.

Sept. 5.—Second Minnesota, Liberal, Farmington.

—Should Henderson refuse to form for Governor of Missouri, on the Grant ticket, the next favorite is Robert T. Van Horn, of Kansas City, who is only too willing.

—Some one asks how big Colonel Blanton Duncan's party is? The Louisville *Ledger* thinks it would weigh about 170 pounds.

—The two tickets in the Vermont election, to-morrow, are:

LIBERAL.	REPUBLICAN.
Governor,	
Abram B. Gardner.	Julius Converse.
Lieutenant Governor,	
Wm. H. H. Bingham.	Russell S. Taft.
Treasurer,	
Henry Chase.	John A. Page.

—The majority of Robert McFarland over J. Burch Cook, for Judge of the Tennessee Supreme Court, in the August election, exceeds 12,000. The issue was not political.

—In Kentucky, the Grant managers are pledging support to Blanton Duncan Democrats for Congress, and have brought out Jacob S. Golladay in the Third District, Overton P. Hogan in the Sixth, and Stephen F. J. Trabue in the Seventh.

—The rival candidates for Congress-at-Large, in South Carolina (election Oct. 16), are a mulatto and a full black, viz.: Joseph Quash, of Aiken, formerly a Charleston barber, and "Daddy" Cain, a preacher, of Charleston. In three of the four districts the candidates are colored men.

—An over-no-little Averill, whose home field is in the Northern District of Minnesota, is pluming himself on notoriety gained by the denial that he is *the* General Averill who has written:

Since George Washington, to no American citizen has been offered such great opportunities as to Ulysses S. Grant, and no president has ever exhibited such absolute lack of intelligence to understand or of the will to embrace them.

—The poet John G. Saxe, who has been falsely claimed for Grant, writes from Saratoga that he will take the stump for Greeley, and says:

I do not find any Democrat who thinks the Louisville gathering is likely to pay what it will cost (the Governments of Washington and Long Branch) to get it up; nor any Republican who supposes that General Dix, for all his years and his yearning for the White House, is one little behind a ticket that is doomed to be defeated by not less than 70,000 votes.

—Ten of the persons on the Grant Electoral ticket in New York in 1868 now support Greeley and Brown. This only lacks one-third of that ticket. One-third is about the proportion of Republicans in that State who now support Greeley.

—It may be a matter of congratulation to the "Straight Outs" to know that Robb, the Ohio man who donated the bull-pup to Grant, upon which the latter refused to pay express charges, is one of Blanton Duncan's recruits.

—The Band of the United States Marine Corps, under orders of the Secretary of the Navy, does duty with and for the Grant Clubs at Washington.

—Judge Richard B. Carmichael, late Speaker of the Maryland Legislature, is the Liberal-Democratic candidate for Congress in the First District.

—George T. Anthony, a Leavenworth office-holder, having asserted that, in 1867, D. R. Anthony said that "he'd be d—d if he would vote for negro suffrage as long as his sister [Susan B.] could not vote," D. R. says that George T. lies.

—George W. Carter, the anti-Warmoth Speaker of the Louisiana Legislature in last winter's imbroglio, writes to the St. Louis *Republican* that, all the Louisiana factions being now consolidated within the rival lines of Greeley and Grant, the Liberal State ticket will be successful by a handsome majority.

—James M. Shelley, of Keokuk, the Liberal nominee for Congress in the First District of Iowa, will take the stump, this week.

—W. H. M. Pusey, of Council Bluffs, is the Liberal candidate for Congress in the Eighth Iowa District; and of him the Council Bluffs *Republican* (Grant) says:

Mr. Pusey has been a citizen of Council Bluffs for many years, and has, in discussion of affairs, drawn about him many friends who, perhaps, may differ with him in their political views, will nevertheless unite with us in saying that he will make a good representative for both parties.

—James C. McKinzon, Republican ex-member of the Wisconsin Legislature from Kenosha County, is supporting Greeley.

—We are assured by the Brass-Collar organs that the number of Liberal Republicans anywhere was originally very small, and has been decreasing at a frightfully rapid rate ever since!

—The intelligent compositor gets it wrong every time. The Liberal candidate for Governor of Louisiana is John McEnery, of Onachita.

—The fight "inside the Republican party" of Kansas has been one of the curious spectacles of the year. The Lawrence *Republican Journal*, which adheres (as yet) to the regular organization, says:

Caldwell first buys up twelve or fourteen of the Democratic papers in Charles county, by means of a money consideration, and thus gets elected. Clarke next irons the grab game to the tune of $14,000 for "other expenses," which Caldwell refuses to stand, whereupon Clarke becomes virulent and tries to get nominated by Congress on the strength of his opposition to Caldwell! Rich, isn't it?

—The Wheeling District elects two members of the West Virginia Senate, and two Wheeling men are elected. But the Constitution forbids that two Senators may reside in or be elected from one county; and what to do about it is now the question.

—The new Constitution of West Virginia being ratified, the Legislature elected under it will convene on Thursday, Nov. 21, but the Gubernatorial term of four years will begin March 4, 1873.

—The stockholders of the New Orleans *Picayune*, by vote for 135 representing 904 shares, against 36 representing 70 shares, approve the political course of that paper. Now, what is that political course?

—The Des Moines (Iowa) *Register* says of Oliver L. Palmer, the Liberal candidate for Congress against Kasson, in that District:

He has until recently been a Republican, and has served, we think, one term, as Captain in one of our Iowa regiments. He is said to be one of the best educated of Iowa men.

—Lieut. P. Rawline, of Guilford, Jo Daviess County, Ill., brother of

district at the last election by 1,426. He again a candidate against Morton C. Hu and will be elected by an increased m ity.

Sewall—Counties of Benton, Boone, rell, Clinton, Fountain, Montgomery, Tippecanoe, and Warren. Gener Allen Manson, Democrat, was elected last fall. He is the Liberal candidate for Thomas J. Cason, and will by an increased majority. district is or rather was Republican, great is the popularity of General M that he defeats every opponent. He is a farmer, was a gallant soldier always in the forefront of battle. He will be re by a bigger majority than ever.

Eighth—Counties of Cass, Grant, Ha Howard, Madison, Miami, Pulaski, and bash. James N. Tyner, of Peru, Ind can, carried this district by 1,964. He the field against his opponent being Ta C. Whiteside, a Liberal Republican re as Logansport, who is making a v canvass. Tyner will probably be re- but by a reduced majority.

Ninth—Counties of Adams, Allen, ford, Delaware, Henry, Jay, Ran and Wells. Hon. J. C. Shanks, Repu cratic and Independent candidate, E. V. Long, of Kosciusko, a lawyer of same is the Liberal candidate, and Sailor the Labor candidate. Shanks probably sail in, but by a greatly red ority.

Eleventh—Counties of Fulton, Ja Lake, Laporte, Marshall, Porter, Pu Pulaski, Starke, St. Joseph, and Va This is Mr. Colfax's old District. Ja Hendricks, a Liberal Republican, is carried it at the time by 1,501 and thinks he can do so again. It is not at all probable, however. His opponent is Dr. John E. Hendricks, of Lowell, a Liberal Republican and a man of excellent parts. His ability and popula rity will be taxed to the utmost to ov come the fact that Packard did some mean things in Congress, such as to give se millions of the people's money to the San Francisco & Japan Steamship Compa and for various land grants, make the district close and doubtful.

TO RECAPITULATE:

The First, Second, Third, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh, and Ninth Districts are to certain to elect Liberals; the Eighth and Tenth are tolerably certain to elect Democratic candidates; and the Fifth and Eleventh are doubtful. Then there are two Congressmen at Large. The Senate was reinforced by the same vote that will elect Hendricks, and the Congressional result in the State; the Democrats by Grant, it would be doubtful.

The Liberal candidates for Congressmen at Large are the Hon. M. C. Kerr, of Indianapolis, now and for many years Reporter of the Supreme Court of this State, a man whose national reputation, and is a statesman of expanding fame; and Colonel John S. Williams, of Lafayette, a lawyer of fine abilities and a brilliant orator. Their opponents are the Hon. Godlove S. Orth, of Lafayette, and Hon. Williams, of Peru.

HAPPY FAMILY.

Mr. Orth is not unknown. Following illustrous precedent, he has quartered family heavily on the public:

Godlove Orth's son, William M., Pension son.

Godlove Orth's nephew, No. 1, Godlove Orth—Assessor of Internal Revenue and Statesman in the Louisville affair in his district, as the agent of Morton.

Godlove Orth's nephew No. 2, and God Orth Bebb's cousin—Clerk in Assessor's office.

Godlove Orth's nephew No. 3—Told Mail on Wabash Valley Railroad.

Godlove Orth's nephew No. 4—Wells, cl the Lafayette Post Office.

Godlove Orth's cousin No. 1—Dan Brawley, assistant Assessor for Tippecanoe County.

Godlove Orth's cousin No 2—Daniel Ayres, assistant Assessor for Clinton County.

For one family, that is doing a fair business, considering that Mr. Orth controls the appointments in but one Congressional District.

Mr. Williams, better known as "Blue Williams," has been in Congress from the Tenth District. He was a Democrat during the war. He did gallant service as "Colonel" in the military department at the rear, where the recruits in his district were assembled, preparatory to leaving for the front. He served his country in Congress, voting for the San Francisco and Japan and the Brazilian Mail subsidies, against Civil Service reform.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The Legislature in this State will consist of fifty Senators and 100 Representatives. Only half of the Senators hold over, and there is but one additional vacancy, making twenty-six to be elected. Of these twenty-one will be over fifteen are Democrats. Senator M is doing his utmost to secure the Legislature for himself, and is bending all his energies to accomplish his ends by election to the Senate. Notwithstanding his undoubted ability and great energy, he is not loved by the people; and there is a strong undercurrent of opposition to him inside the Republican organization.

STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

The conduct of public affairs in this State devolves upon the Hon. E. S. Alvord, Chairman of the Democratic Central Committee, and Mr. John C. Finch, Chairman of the Liberal Republican Central Committee, assisted by Mr. Robert Sorosis. Mr. Alvord is a young lawyer of ability. Mr. Alvord is a wealthy gentleman of leisure, a scholar, possessing remarkable executive talents, and devotes all his time to the work. He has magnificent residence on the corner of Pennsylvania and Ohio streets, where he entertains his political visitors with princely hospitality. The hard work of the campaign devolves upon these gentlemen, and they are worthy of commendation for their untiring and successful efforts.

The Great American Water Lily—A Plea for the Parks.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: You will remember that, about a year ago, I read a paper before the Academy of Sciences, relating to the American Lotus—the *Nelumbium Luteum*,—an immense Water Lily, fragrant and beautiful, which is found growing in the Calumet River and a few other localities in this State.

I then called upon the Park Commissioners to procure the introduction of these plants into the artificial ponds in the public parks of this city, before it was too late. This beautiful lily is rapidly becoming extinct, and will not be many years before it will only be found in any of our Western waters. This disappearance is due to the draining of the marshes and other fellowseas on which it grew. There are now several acres in the Calumet River and its tributaries, covered with this plant, in bloom. A gentleman, breakfasting at my house, to-day, many magnificent specimens of the flower. He had hunted on the Calumet for many years, and says that, in a year or two, the lotus will cease to have a habitat there. The filling away of the flats in the building of stories on the lake shore, and many other causes, all conspire to render this a necessary place of growth of this and we must provide for it. If the Park Commissioners can believe in the matter this season (in the following spring it may be too late), they will still take the root and their future culture will be a matter of easier and less expense. It must be procured from drained marshes, kept moist during winter, and at once planted in these roots are such in the parks. If planted in the bottom of such lakes, they will readily take root, and their future cultivation will be a matter of easier and less expense. It will require no care, except to keep them covered with water to the depth of two or three feet. I have a few dried specimens of this report to the Academy, giving the time and place where the plant is found, and will be glad to send them to any one interested in its propagation. Mr. Sargent, who has been over every foot of ground where this lily grows, will accompany any persons whom the Commissioners may appoint to visit the plant or procure the seeds. Those who will take up this representative plant of the mysterious Nile—the plant worshipped by the ancient Egyptians—can find it in bloom for a week or more, in the Calumet River.

E. M. HALE.

Teaching Deportment.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: Before the closing of our public schools for the summer vacation, the subject of having Deportment taught in them was brought before the Board of Education. There was nothing done then so as to having it taught; but now, as our schools are about to open again, myself and thousands of parents beg that our youths may be taught that most essential branch of education. There is nothing so much needed in our community. Parents may not be able to get it taught in any public schools; they can in private. No parent or guardian should sent a child to college, seminary, or academy, unless assured that a Etiquette is taught in the same, and that by a competent Professor. How much our sons and daughters have suffered when travelling, they only can tell. They were taught to believe their education finished, and found out that they knew nothing of society, etc. Is it not painful to hear our youths address parents, employers, and each other? They are ignorant of the A proper manner. It is not also a pity to see our young ladies and misses walk so badly? Let them be taught Deportment, and, in a short time, its influence would be universally felt.

A PARENT.

CHICAGO, Aug. 21.

The Keep Monument Windows.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: In your issue of to-day I find articles on the Keep Monument, commenting more particularly on the stained-glass windows, which have been so successfully completed and erected to their final rest. They were designed by me for Messrs. Hirsch & Hire, and submitted to Mr. O. L. Wheelock, who adopted (and not designed) them. After their destruction in October last, I reproduced the designs, to the entire satisfaction of all parties.

I make this statement in justice to myself, and to correct the error in your paper, that they originated from another source.

Yours, &c.,

R. W. WALLIS,
Artist, 73 East Monroe street.

CHICAGO, Aug. 21.

Slaughter Pecuniary, Regarded—

The Trio of Guiteau—Ginta Mil—

HENDRICKS, ...

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC.

How the Surveys of the Various Routes Are Progressing.

From the St. Louis Times, Aug. 2.

A letter has just been received in this city from a gentleman connected with the Engineer Corps engaged in the Northern Pacific Railroad survey, which contains much interesting and valuable information respecting what has been done on the present year, by the several engineering parties in the field. Mr. P. Roberts, in charge of one party, left Stony City, Ill., on the 9th of April, and proceeded to the crossing of the Missouri River from this starting point. Forty-seven days' ability was spent in the field, and only ten days' rest was allowed. Probably a quarter of the time was lost by reason of storms, but the work was pushed with great vigor, and the party reached the Yellowstone River on the 15th of July. Mr. Roberts speaks in high terms of the character of the country traversed by his party, and says that the soil is generally rich, and that the climate is delightful. Mr. Roberts is also highly pleased with the character of the people he met with in the Territories, and says that the hospitality of the settlers is unbounded. Mr. Roberts' party found the Indians very friendly, and had no trouble with them. Mr. Roberts says that the Yellowstone Valley is the finest country he has seen in the West, and that the Yellowstone River is a noble stream, navigable for steamboats of large size for a distance of 1,000 miles. The portion of the Missouri River which has been considered navigable hitherto, but which, upon thorough examination, is considered that, as the water is shallow, and the channel, and by the construction of a narrow-gauge railroad around the Big Falls of the Missouri, which are not four miles, that station of the river can be made of great importance to the Northern Pacific. Mr. Roberts discovered gas given off to a profuse extent from the earth, and says that it burns with a steady and powerful flame. The Northern Pacific Railroad will be completed this fall to Carlton, where it crosses the Missouri River. The Missouri is expected that the Company will arrange to connect with the old steamboats to run the Missouri into the heart of Montana. The engineers of the road are full of the prospect of such an early connection, and pledge themselves to do all in their power to make the plan a successful one.

Mr. Roberts' party is one of the first in the course of a few days to make lateral surveys in some of the immediately con. It is the intention of the engineer in charge, Colonel W. Milnor Roberts, to have all practicable routes fully surveyed before the closing of the first time of the road through this most interesting part of the country.

Mr. Morton Bergen, assistant to Mr. A. A. Meyendorf, and a corps of engineers, has completed his first piece of work this season, a section of nearly 100 miles, on the Missouri River. He began at the mouth of Divide Creek, on the Big Hole River, and crossed the Missouri from range to range, striking the head of the north fork of Big Hole River on the Atlantic slope and the south fork of Salmon River on the Pacific slope, and finally ended by discovering Deer Lodge Pass. The Burgess party connected with the line surveyed by Colonel W. W. DeLacy, who is now working down the Salmon River. The Burgess party had not reported a Republican leaver in its camp, though it was known that a few were in the country. The party under Mr. Daniel Bellinger, assisted by Colonel Theodore Martin, commenced at a point on the Missouri River, a little below Missoula City, and are still working toward that point. The party on the Clark's Fork division, in charge of Mr. Edward Grady, has made a distance of over 200 miles in three months, and when last heard from was at Pend d'Oreille Lake.

The Yellowstone party were organized and left Helena on their dangerous mission about the middle of July. Colonel J. E. Haydon, assistant engineer, is at the head of the party. They are escorted by eight companies of U. S. Infantry, and Colonel Baker, the great Indian fighter, commands the expedition.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The revenue from "moral evil" receipts at St. Louis, last week, amounted to $168.

—Quincy (Ill.) ladies, famous by its relation to the "Kentucky Belle," have been favorably with the ground, and its site devoted to agricultural purposes.

—There are over a hundred girls in the St. Louis Normal School, and they are required to wear calico dresses.

—Davenport, Iowa, has decided to have a city market, located on Fifth street, between Main and Brady. The ordinance to that effect in carrying out the plan will be about $7,000.

—A snake with ten rattles bit a negro woman while plowing in a field, in Macon County, Ala. When discovered, the woman was dead, her body lying upon the snake, whose fangs were fastened securely in her breast.

—The Springfield, Mass., watch factory sent a lot of watches to England not long since, hoping to be able to undersell the Swiss, but were disappointed, as the watch is a heavy gold case can be sold cheaper there than the movement alone can be obtained here.

—Two hunting-dogs were killed yesterday, while on the prairie to Minneapolis by moving machines. The dogs were running at the time, paying no attention to the machines. One dog had his tail and two hind legs cut off, while the other lost his two fore legs.—*La Crosse Democrat.*

—Jones writes from the Profile House that he has discovered a new fall. He found it among the rocks in the rear of his house, and named it after himself. He says it is about a rod, a swift rise of two feet, and a large damn on reaching the flat rock. His friends christened it dam-ee-fall at once.

—The value of a letter has been fixed by omitting the s from speculation, and you get "peculation," an ugly word. This is a mistake which American printers should avoid from patriotism, if for no other reason. Take away this letter, and what is left of the Stars and Stripes? Nothing more than Tar and Tripe.

—The purest known River water is that of the River Loka, in Sweden, which contains only 1.2700 of a grain of solid matter per gallon. Other rivers remarkable for purity are the Credit river, New York, 4.160, and the Schuylkill, 4.961. The rivers of France contain from 4 to 32 grains per gallon, averaging 16.1; those of England from 6 to 191, averaging 14.1 2.

—It is estimated that there are in the various Long Branch hotels and boarding stables over five hundred private horses, the principal number being from New York. They are of the most unique, elegant and costly styles, from the dashing "turnout" to the one-horse shay. The surrounding country is said to be unusually well stocked with fine horses, and the drives are light. The Surgeon-General has provided with the fine surveyed by Colonel W. W. DeLacy, who is now working down the Salmon River. The party under Mr. Daniel Bellinger, assisted by Colonel Theodore Martin, commenced at a point on the Missouri River, a little below Missoula City, and are still working toward that point. The party on the Clark's Fork division, in charge of Mr. Edward Grady, has made a distance of over 200 miles in three months, and when last heard from was at Pend d'Oreille Lake.

—A Jersey City man, who had a pet canary bird, which he valued highly, was greatly grieved to find it dead in its cage, and, in order to relieve his feelings, he wrote a letter to the bird's former owner, telling him of the sad event. The letter was duly received, and the recipient, who had also been fond of the bird, was so much affected by the news that he died of heart disease.

—The Cincinnati *Commercial* of the 27th has a lengthy and learned article, entitled "Is the Sun Growing Hotter?" It contains the following in reference to the subject:

"The average sunshine is three hundred thousand times greater than the globe we inhabit, and its distance is appalling, being ninety-five millions of miles.

"Evidently this was not written by a school boy. The latest text-books on the subject inform us that the sun is 1,250,000 times larger than the earth, and that its average distance from our planet is only about 91,500,000 miles.

—The new pavement in Union Square Park, New York, if formed of wood, is solidly ground to powder and heated in a temperature of not less than 300 degrees. While hot, this powder is spread evenly with a rake over a bed of cement, and then the whole surface is rolled into a pavement, with neither joints nor seams, and impervious to water. The surface is perfectly smooth, and there is no frost, moisture, or dampness. It can be safely swept, is not more slippery than gravel, and is not acted on by the heat. The cost of which it is made is imported from Val de Travers, Neufchatel, Switzerland.

—This was a melancholy story that came in a young lady's letter from Saratoga, that other day, viz.: that a party of gentlemen and ladies occupied to a ball-room by one gentlemen. We seem to have already surpassed the dreadful day foretold by Scripture, when seven women should take hold of one man, and entreat the luxury of his name and protection. Saratoga is not going to be literality of maidens from every eligible place in the land seeking the same end.

—No beaux, no beaux!

—The story that war gossip may cause a fever of speculation, that a lady, in a fit of unsettled disposition, had taken the scale of her tea-kettle, and transmuted it into a thermometer, that she had placed the latter in the window to ascertain the degree of heat, and that mamma had to lost her shawl for the occasion, has found a parallel. It is on a par with the case of one of the medical professors who had occasion to walk up Broadway during the heated term. His trousers, probably the hottest day of all, split his pants to such an extent that he was compelled to call a cab to avoid an exposure. Of course he hitched the vehicle to a lamp-post, and, being left for the moment, the pants had been made up on a low stitch sewing machine; the seam wouldn't grow open at the ankle, and the wreck of the garments was the consequence. A little thinking of the seam would have saved his feelings—and his pants.

—Who shall dare say that the race of, he rose and martyrs is extinct? A man and his four sons were lately captured on a barge near Wheeling, and the father kept his door open, and every shot was responded, and then fell back and was drowned.

—The Ohio River bridge at Louisville, is literally swarming with thousands of large black spiders and their accumulated webs, very annoying to footmen crossing over. The railroad company have commenced a war of extermination on the spiders, and propose the complaints, and give the spiders a quietus.

—After Stevens left Gloucester, Mass., intending to make his way to New York by sea, he hired a small two-oared boat. He was last seen Wednesday last off Stafford Point, Connecticut, when a thunder storm on Thursday morning swamped his boat.

—Last Saturday week a grocery man on closing his store found a dead and three large dogs in the cellar, which he feared would contaminate any food which he feared would sell if left unused till Monday. So he stirred them, went home, took chollera mixture, called the doctor, had an hour's work and a new bar, a bill of $80 to pay. Cost of dead bears, 10 cents.

—According to the last census 6,350,000 scholars are reported in the 224,000 schools of the United States. Of this number, 3,200,000 were in the public schools, and 150,000 were in foreign. There were instructed by 250,000 teachers, 90,000 of these being males. The total expenditure for instruction was $90,192,

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Visitors at Headquarters—Catering Advices from Nebraska.

Successful Gleeful Meeting at Lake View.

Liberal Rally in the Ninth Ward Saturday Evening.

THE COURTS OF LAW AND EQUITY.

A Rendering Nuisance.

Mr. Ackert's Attorney filed on Saturday afternoon a sweeping writ against the nuisance establishment of Jonathan C. Mitchell:

The People of the State of Illinois to the Sheriff of Cook County, Greeting:

We command you that you cause to come before the Judges of our Superior Court of Cook County, at the Court House in said County, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be holden on the first Monday in September next, then and there to answer unto the People, against one Jonathan C. Mitchell, in a plea of trespass on the case, and have you then and there the names of the persons by whom you shall be summoned, and this writ.

Witness, Charles M. Sanford, Clerk of our said Court, and the seal thereof, at Chicago, this 20th day of August, A. D. 1872.

CHARLES M. SANFORD, Clerk.

The Grocery and Kindergarten of the Seventeenth Ward will soon be established at Kinzie street, corner of Harrison street and North avenue. Colonel W. Smith, General Agent, and others, will be present and address the meeting.

The Democrats and Liberal Republicans of the Eighteenth Ward will meet this evening at [illegible] to ratify Greeley and Brown.

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THE CAMPAIGN.

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place in the House, and to declare that he could neither be bought nor bribed, but battled from the position that he had taken, and that he was about to expose some of the scoundrelism exposed by three of the Administration. You remember that famous speech of his, in which he denounced the extravagances of the army. Yet to-day that speech is as great as then; they were true as he spoke, but Logan is silent, except when he speaks for the man who has put a collar around his neck. [Laughter.] Logan has not been bought, nor bribed, nor bullied, but Logan has been captured. [Laughter.] You appreciate the difference, gentlemen. Applause.] And so we have the spectacle of Logan, with his spoken condemnation unretracted, leading [illegible] against all over the State of Illinois, a striking illustration of the Scriptural declaration, "He shall lead captivity captive." And there he stands, the infelicitous instrument and conspicuous example proved, for which he denounced the Administration and its management of the army, and now Logan is the champion of the Administration as wise, humane, and economical.

SUPPOSING THE DEBT HAS BEEN PAID.

But we are considering the question of paying paid, and that all of these matters to which I have referred must be forgiven for the reason that your debt is being paid. In the name of reason, is that any more appeal to put as the lowest one that can be made to men. The direct appeal to a man is to his pocket-book. He is to be bribed. When this Administration says that because it is reducing the debt, the intelligent people will go forward in the path of corruption, the nepotism, and in lawlessness, it misappreciates that people. It would be better to trust the people of this land for a few years, misunderstood with debt, or that we kept our public service pure, than that we should by indirection, by fraud, by the corruption of the administration of corrupt men, or of corrupt officers.

BUT MARK!

But has the debt been paid? Since the radical wing of the Republicans base their claim for a continuance of your favor upon the single allegation of the payment of the debt, I, as a Democrat, I desire to call your attention, very briefly, to a few figures that will illustrate the falsehood of this claim. Let me start with the proposition, by saying that not one dollar is paid for by any Administration. The people pay the debt—into the Treasury, and the Administration is simply the agent to see that it is wisely appropriated. So is to see that it is wisely appropriated. After it has reached the Treasury. Now, Mr. Davis, a prominent Radical in Kentucky, has proclaimed that the Administration of Andrew Johnson had been arraigned before the American people for its extravagance, and did him no good. He was defeated. When this Administration says that because it is reducing the debt, the intelligent people will go forward in the path of corruption, the nepotism, and in lawlessness, it misappreciates that people. It would be better to trust the people of this land for a few years, misunderstood with debt, or that we kept our public service pure, than that we should by indirection, by fraud, by the corruption of the administration of corrupt men, or of corrupt officers.

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